

improves outcomes for people with autism and can reduce the level of funding and services needed later in life;

(6) supports the Federal Government's nearly 30-year-old commitment to provide States with 40 percent of the costs needed to educate children with disabilities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA);

(7) recognizes the shortage of appropriately trained teachers who have the skills and support necessary to teach, assist, and respond to special needs students, including those with autism, in our school systems; and

(8) recognizes the importance of worker training programs that are tailored to the needs of developmentally disabled persons, including those with autism, and notes that people with autism can be, and are, productive members of the workforce if they are given appropriate support, training, and early intervention services.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 125—COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA GOLDEN GOPHERS WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2004-2005 NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION DIVISION I WOMEN'S HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP**

Mr. COLEMAN (for himself and Mr. DAYTON) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 125

Whereas, on Sunday, March 27, 2005, the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers won the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I Women's Hockey Championship for the second straight year;

Whereas the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers defeated Harvard University in the championship game by a score of 4 to 3, and defeated Dartmouth College by a score of 7 to 2 in the semifinals;

Whereas, during the 2004-2005 season, the Golden Gophers won an outstanding 36 out of 40 games;

Whereas Ms. Krissy Wendell was honored with the prestigious Patty Kazmaier Award, which is presented annually to the Nation's most outstanding women's collegiate hockey player;

Whereas Ms. Natalie Darwitz, Ms. Lyndsay Wall, and Ms. Krissy Wendell were selected for the 2004-2005 NCAA All-Tournament Team, and Ms. Darwitz was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player;

Whereas Ms. Lyndsay Wall, Ms. Krissy Wendell, and Ms. Natalie Darwitz were named to the CCM Women's University Division I Ice Hockey All-American First Team, and Ms. Jody Horak was named to the CCM Women's University Division I Ice Hockey All-American Second Team;

Whereas the team's seniors—Ms. Jody Horak, Ms. Brenda Reinen, Ms. Kelly Stephens, Ms. Noelle Sutton, and Ms. Stacy Troumbly—made tremendous contributions to the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers women's ice hockey program throughout their collegiate careers;

Whereas Ms. Ashley Albrecht, Ms. Chelsey Brodt, Ms. Natalie Darwitz, Ms. Whitney Graft, Ms. Jody Horak, Ms. Krista Johnson, Ms. Natalie Lammé, Ms. Erica McKenzie, Ms. Anya Miller, Ms. Andrea Nichols, Ms. Liz Palkie, Ms. Jenelle Philipczyk, Ms. Brenda Reinen, Ms. Bobbi Ross, Ms. Allie Sanchez, Ms. Maggie Souba, Ms. Kelly Stephens, Ms. Noelle Sutton, Ms. Stacy Troumbly, Ms. Becky Wacker, Ms. Lyndsay Wall, and Ms. Krissy Wendell demonstrated exceptional teamwork, selfless team spirit, and admirable sportswomanship throughout the season;

Whereas the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers women's ice hockey team Head Coach Laura Halldorson and Assistant Coaches Brad Frost, Charlie Burggraf, and Jeff Moen provided outstanding leadership and coaching to mold all of the talented young women into a championship team: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) commends the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers women's ice hockey team for winning the 2004-2005 National Collegiate Athletic Association's Division I Women's Ice Hockey Championship;

(2) recognizes the outstanding achievements of the team's players, coaches, and support staff; and

(3) directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the president of the University of Minnesota.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 28—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE CONGRESS ON WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DAY REGARDING THE IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS GLOBALLY**

Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. CHAFFEE) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. CON. RES. 28

Whereas protection of intellectual property is critical to our nation's economic competitiveness, cultural diversity, health and scientific development;

Whereas the United States economy depends increasingly on the work of authors, artists, inventors, programmers, and many others who create intellectual products of high value;

Whereas theft of intellectual property results in competitive disadvantages to United States industries and job losses for American workers, and for the United States economy as a whole;

Whereas the copyright industries employ approximately 11,500,000 workers or 8.41 percent of total employment in the United States, a number that approaches the levels of employment in the health care and social assistance sector (15,300,000 employees) and the entire manufacturing sector (14,500,000 workers in 21 manufacturing industries);

Whereas there is great concern about the failure of many of our trading partners to live up to their international obligations in the area of intellectual property protection;

Whereas counterfeiting of copyrighted products in digital and other formats, as well as counterfeiting of all types of trademarked products, has grown to an enormous scale;

Whereas many of our trading partners, in particular Russia and China, have laws in place to prevent piracy and counterfeiting, but are failing to enforce the laws;

Whereas Russia and China alone are responsible for over \$4,000,000,000 in losses a year to United States industries due to piracy;

Whereas piracy in Russia and China is open, notorious, and permitted to operate without meaningful hindrance from the governments of those countries;

Whereas China should be encouraged to meet its intellectual property protection obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO);

Whereas Russia should be encouraged to explore means to provide effective piracy protection enabling compliance with the rules set forth by the WTO;

Whereas the United States Government must convey to these countries that failure to act will have political and economic consequences for relationships with the United States; and

Whereas Congress has enacted legislation regarding the protection of intellectual property, including measures which direct the Administration to censure countries that fail to provide adequate and effective protection for intellectual property: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring)*, That—

(1) the Administration should utilize effective remedies and solutions in addressing the lack of intellectual property protection in China and Russia, using all available tools provided by Congress;

(2) the Administration should ensure that any country that enjoys benefits under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program, such as Russia, lives up to its obligations to provide adequate and effective protection for intellectual property rights, or lose its eligibility to participate in trade preference programs;

(3) the Administration should ensure that action is taken against any country with which the United States shares mutual commitments under the WTO, such as China, when the country fails to live up to its WTO commitments;

(4) the Administration should urge Russia to promote measures to enforce intellectual property protection which will enable compliance with the intellectual property commitments required by the WTO; and

(5) the President should take any additional action the President considers appropriate to protect the intellectual property rights of United States businesses.

**AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED**

SA 567. Mr. INHOFE proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3, a bill to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 568. Mr. BAYH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 569. Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 570. Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. LOTT) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 571. Mr. ISAKSON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 572. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 567 proposed by Mr. INHOFE to the bill H.R. 3, supra.

SA 573. Mr. SHELBY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 574. Mrs. DOLE (for herself and Mr. BURR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 575. Mr. SPECTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.